UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Susan D. Wigenton

v. : Crim. No. 08-495 (SDW)

DANIEL RAMOS-TORRES : <u>CONTINUANCE ORDER</u>

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Ralph J. Marra, Jr., Acting United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by L. Judson Welle, Assistant U.S. Attorney), and defendant Daniel Ramos-Torres (by Cynthia Hardaway, Esq.) for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter to pursue plea negotiations, and the defendant being aware that he has the right to have the matter brought to trial within 70 days of the date of his appearance before a judicial officer of this court pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(c)(1), and as the defendant has consented to such a continuance, and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

1. Plea negotiations are currently in progress, and both the United States and the defendant desire additional time to finalize a plea agreement, which would render trial of this matter unnecessary;

- The grant of a continuance will likely conserve judicial resources;
- 3. Pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

WHEREFORE, on this

day of / 2008

IT IS ORDERED that this action be, and hereby is, continued from Decmember 5, 2008, through February 3, 2008; and it is further

ORDERED that the period from Decmember 5, 2008, through February 3, 2008, shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8); and it is further

ORDERED that all dates for the disclosure of materials under this Court's Order for Discovery and Inspection, filed on December 2, 2008, are extended for 60 days; and it is further

ORDERED that motions shall be filed by February 14, 2008; responses shall be filed by February 28, 2008; hearing on the motions shall commence on March 11, 2008; and the trial shall commence on March 25, 2008.

HON. SUSAN D WIGHTON United States District Judge

Form and entry consented to:

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